

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE  
RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Case Docket No. 7258XR

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application

Inventor(s): G. M. FRANKENBACH ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/309,128

Group Art Unit: 1751

Date Filed: May 10, 1999

Examiner: J. Hardee

Title: CLEAR OR TRANSLUCENT AQUEOUS FABRIC SOFTENER COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING HIGH ELECTROLYTE AND OPTIONAL PHASE STABILIZER

1. ☐ No additional fee is known to be required.
2. ☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:



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3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action dated January 28, 2000 in the above-identified application to preserve pendency of said application. The processing fee under 37 CFR §1.17 has been determined as follows: \$870.00 for a three month extension of time.

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: Group Art Unit 1751  
Filed 05/10/99 : Examiner J. Hardee  
For CLEAR OR TRANSLUCENT :  
AQUEOUS FABRIC SOFTENER  
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AMENDMENT

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*IN THE APPLICATION*  
**In the Claims**

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Please amend Claims 1 and 28 as follows.

1. (Amended) Clear, or translucent liquid fabric softener composition comprising:
- from about 2% to about 80% by weight of the composition of fabric softener;
  - [at least an effective level of] a principal solvent having a ClogP of from about - 2.0 to about 2.6 present at a level up to about 40% by weight of the composition;
  - from about 0.5 % to about 10% by weight of the composition of electrolyte;
  - optionally, from 0% to about 15% by weight of the composition of phase stabilizer selected from the group consisting of:
    - nonionic surfactants derived from saturated and/or unsaturated primary, secondary, and/or branched, amine, amide, amine-oxide fatty alcohol, fatty acid, alkyl phenol, and/or alkyl aryl carboxylic acid compounds having from about 6 to about 22 carbon atoms in a hydrophobic chain, wherein at least one active hydrogen of said compounds is ethoxylated with  $\leq$  50 ethylene oxide moieties to provide an HLB of from about 8 to about 20;
    - nonionic surfactants with bulky head groups selected from:
      - surfactants having the formulas: